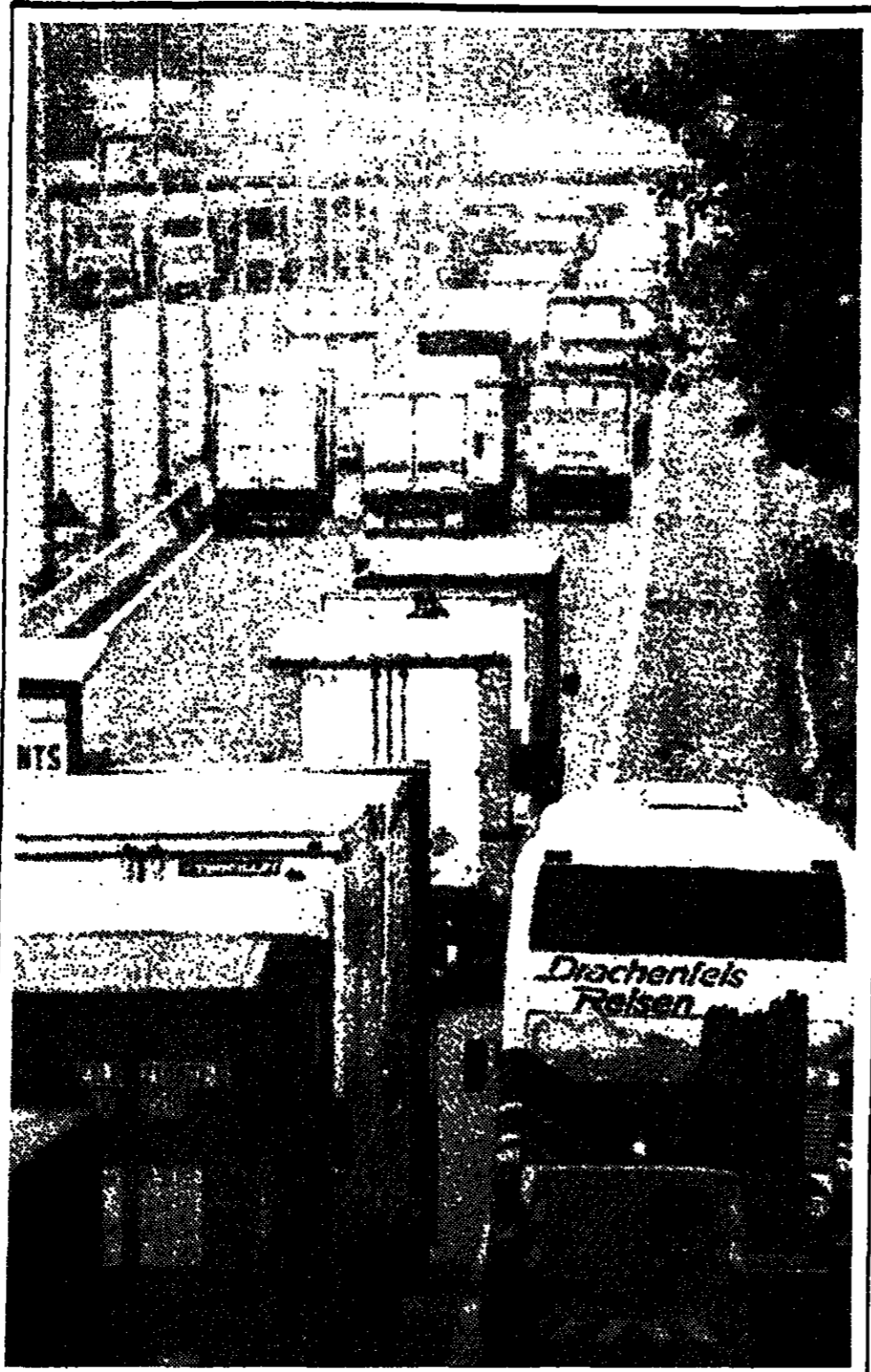


Table with exchange rates for various currencies including Arab, Euro, and others.

Breaking the Cycle Of Coup and Control Africa's Leaders Start to See Need for a Change in Tactics

By Keith B. Richburg Washington Post Service DAKAR, Senegal — Africa's newest coup leader-cum-president is also its youngest, and he made his international debut at the annual summit meeting this week of the continent's heads of state...



Spread of Truckers' Blockade Paralyzes France A German tour bus, right, taking to the shoulder of the A1 toll highway near Senlis, northeast of Paris, as it sought to skirt stationary trucks. Truckers are protesting the imposition of a point system of driving rules, which they say could cost them their permits and thus their livelihoods. Page 2.

Surge in Jobless Rate Sets Off Fear of Relapse In the U.S. Economy

By John M. Berry Washington Post Service WASHINGTON — The U.S. unemployment rate surged unexpectedly last month to 7.8 percent, the highest level in more than eight years...

Dilemma for Bush Should He Remain Upbeat Or Be Sober on Economy

By David E. Rosenbaum New York Times Service WASHINGTON — The bad economic news Thursday underscored a serious split among President George Bush's staff members over whether he should appear upbeat or more sober about the economy at this critical point in election-year politics...

Saddam Quelled Guards' Putsch, Dissidents Assert

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON — A mechanized brigade of Iraq's elite Republican Guards tried to overthrow President Saddam Hussein earlier this week, Iraqi dissidents said Thursday...

Canadians Take Stake In Matra

By Roger Cohen New York Times Service PARIS — Northern Telecom Ltd. of Canada, seeking to gain a strong position in Europe's fast-growing and increasingly open telecommunications market...

Kiosk

Bush Vetoes Voter Registration Bill WASHINGTON (AP) — President George Bush vetoed legislation Thursday that would require states to register voters when they apply for drivers licenses or government benefits...

It would also expose the election process to an unacceptable risk of fraud and corruption without any reason to believe that it would increase electoral participation to any significant degree, Mr. Bush said in his veto message.

France to Stage 1998 World Cup

ZURICH (Reuters) — France on Thursday won the right to stage the 1998 World Cup, foiling Morocco's bid to become the first African nation to organize soccer's premier tournament.

Table with financial news including Dow Jones, S&P 500, and other market indicators.



JUBILATION — John McEnroe making it clear Thursday what it meant to win the quarter-final match over Guy Forget of France at Wimbledon. The victory advanced McEnroe to a showdown with Andre Agassi in the semi-finals. Page 17.

UN Force Bulls Way To Sarajevo Airport

By Blaine Harden Washington Post Service SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — A Canadian infantry battalion bulldozed its way Thursday through a Serbian roadblock outside this besieged city and deployed 40 armored vehicles around the perimeter of Sarajevo airport...

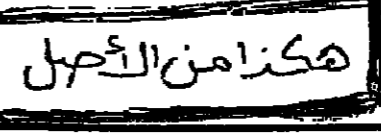
Where Crime Is Humdrum, the Humble Toilet Flushes Out the Curious

By Laurie Goodstein Washington Post Service NEW YORK — Given the size of the crowd gathered round, and all the hands stretched tentatively and reverently to touch it, you would think a spacecraft from the planet Zeno had landed on 34th Street...









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For the Next South Africa

Township political violence rocks South Africa, constitutional talks have collapsed and bitter recriminations go on between the white minority government and the African National Congress.

Abortion: Undue Burdens

Two Classes of Women

The Supreme Court's 5-4 abortion decision turned out humane and honorable, yet it still puts American women into two classes: those who live in the right states or have money for travel, and can easily exercise the right to abortions; and those — the young, the rural and the poor — who cannot.

Listen to what the director of a clinic in Minnesota says about how the parental notification law in that state works. "More than once," she said, "the parents of a teenager seeking an abortion have taken me aside and said, 'We want you to make this hurt as much as you can, because she's just a little slut and she's got to learn her lesson.'"

Away From the Court

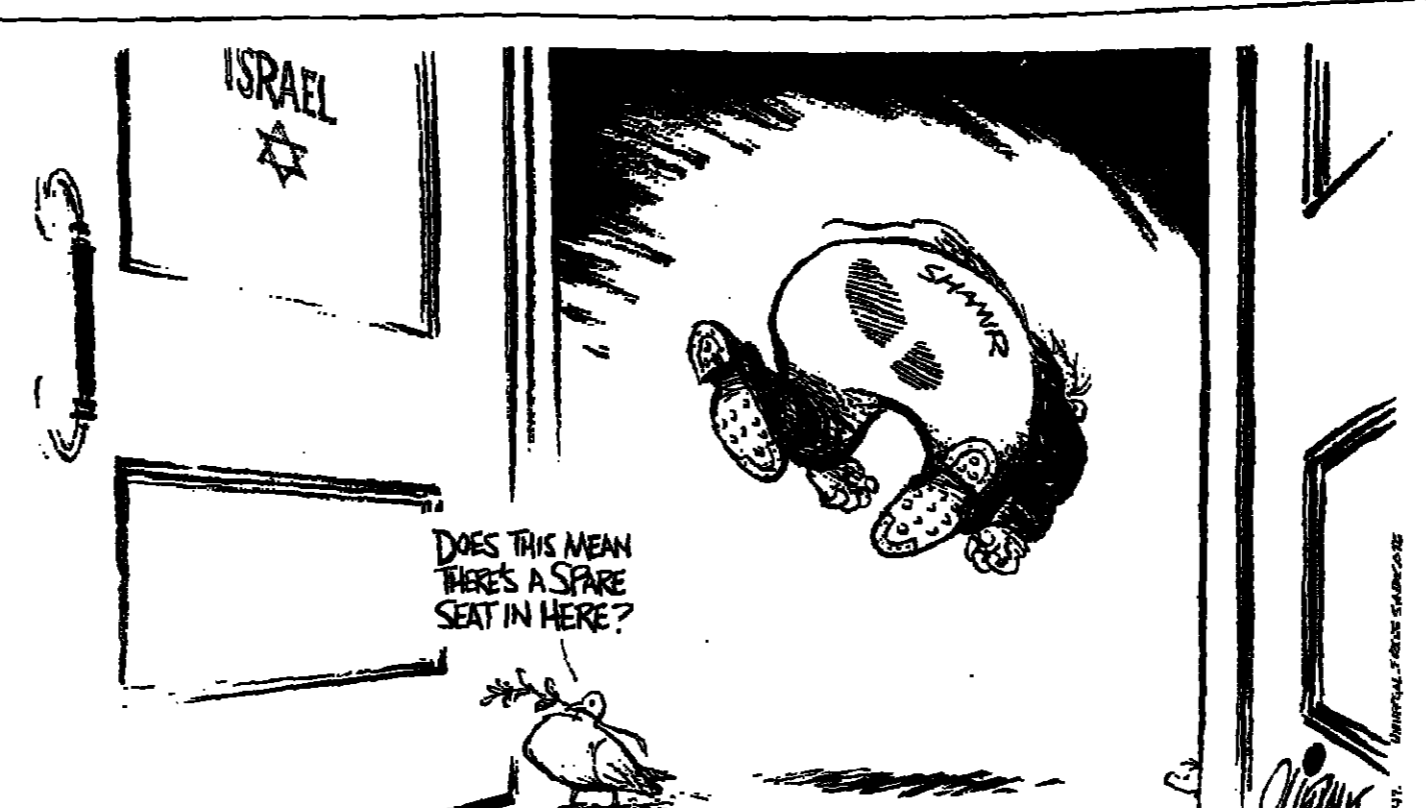
If the Supreme Court had overturned Roe v. Wade on Monday, the political pressure on Congress to pass the Freedom of Choice Act would have been irresistible. If states had been freed to criminalize abortion or to dramatically restrict its availability, it would have been clear to federal legislators favoring abortion rights that they had to prevent such a catastrophe by statute.

Restyle the L.A. Police

In Los Angeles, the most closely scrutinized police force in the country is undergoing overhaul. Gone is police chief Daryl Gates and with him, we hope, an overly aggressive and incident-oriented patrol style that left the city with America's second-highest financial settlement rate for police brutality cases.

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Israelis and Palestinians Know They Must Choose

JERUSALEM — As always, there are two ways of looking at things here. What is new since the elections is that the divide goes smack across the Israeli-Palestinian line instead of clinging to it.

Taiwan's Locomotive Is Pulling the Mainland Along

TAIPEI — Taiwan may well be taking over the Chinese mainland using what Mao Zedong described as "sugar-coated bullets."

We Did Know — but We Didn't Care

WASHINGTON — In 1945, a British army major named Derrick Singleton witnessed the liberation of Bergen-Belsen, the Nazi concentration camp, and wrote afterward that he was unprepared for what he found there.

Watch Him Shake Up U.S. Policy

NEW YORK — Barring surprises, Lee Hamilton will become chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee next year. His career and character suggest he could spark far-reaching changes in how U.S. foreign policy is made and in the policy package that comes from this new position.

1892: Rio Grande Rebels

VALPARAISO — The rebels in the State of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, have now gained the mastery in every city and town in the state, except Bage.

1942: Axis Hammered

CAIRO — [From our New York edition:] British imperial forces, strongly reinforced from the Middle East, have encircled Field Marshal Rommel's Afrika Korps on the Egyptian coast 60 miles west of the Alexandria naval base and are hammering at it with all available weapons from front, flank and rear.

1917: First Housewife

WASHINGTON — Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, wife of the President is the first woman to sign this vow advocated by the Food Control Bureau: "I am proud to join in the work of conserving the national food supply. I accept the conditions proposed by the Food Controller, and I will execute them in my house as far as circumstances will permit."

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OPINION

The Break on Perot Will Decide It All

By William Safire

WASHINGTON — Let me set down my madcap for a moment to don Olympian robes and deliver a thumbsucker: Whether the presidential campaign of 1992...

As the novelty wears off, the summer wears on and more troubling facts emerge, Perotmania will ebb.

This is a personal choice, in which personalities count heavily, but voters' central decision is whether to accept or reject George Bush.



The Candidates Push the Journalists Off the Stage

By Richard Harwood

WASHINGTON — It seems like only yesterday that the "power of the press" was a perfectly respectable topic for doctoral dissertations and serious cocktail party conversation.

But Mr. Clinton survived, easily won the race for the Democratic nomination and pricked the popular image of the press as kingmaker.

announced his candidacy on 'Larry King Live'; he may decide to forgo the campaign plane altogether and run his campaign by satellite linkup.

Buzzword à la Ross: A Salad With a Bite

By Colman McCarthy

WASHINGTON — Give this much to Ross Perot. He is adding a touch of verbal sprightliness to this year's political discourse.

MEANWHILE meaning that only they understand, and which the rest of the infidel world scorns as baloney.

to invite the assembled bowlers to the bowling alley dearest to his populist heart: the eight lanes at the private Congressional Country Club where the vice president frolicked contentedly in his House and Senate days.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Last Best Hope Regarding 'The Riot and the Dream' (Letters, May 29): Bill Kilpatrick takes exception to Abraham Lincoln's description of America as 'the last best hope on earth.'

Republican Values Regarding 'A Civil War of Values' (Letters, June 16): John J. McCarthy bemoans, among other things, 'value-free education.'

Just FYI Regarding 'Ideas for the '90s: Merge the Northern Acronyms' (Opinion, June 23): Although the headline mentions acronyms, the article itself lists such organizations, real and imagined, as OECD, NATO, OES and CSCE.

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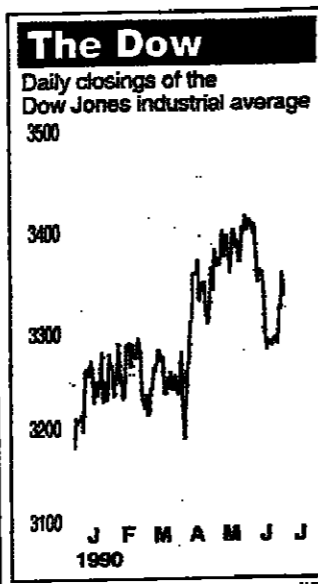




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Economic Fears Send Stocks Lower

Bloomberg Business News NEW YORK — Stocks fell Thursday on the New York Exchange on news that the U.S. unemployment rate rose to its highest level in eight years...



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Fed's Interest-Rate Cuts Send Dollar Plunging

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — The dollar plunged Thursday after June's very weak U.S. employment numbers...

when the Fed's weekly report on money supply showed that the M-2 measure fell by a sharp \$10.6 billion in the week ended June 22.

The dollar also likely to give up ground against the yen ahead of the Group of Seven meeting of industrial countries next week...

In other trading, the dollar slid to 5.0738 French francs from 5.1245 francs on Wednesday and to 1.3510 Swiss francs from 1.3700 francs...

"I see the dollar under a little pressure next week," said John McCarthy, chief dealer at Chase Manhattan.

The U.S. currency should come under more pressure next week as investors again focus on the wide differential between interest rates in the United States and Europe...

In its announcement of a half-point cut in the discount rate to 3 percent, the Fed cited, notably, weak growth in the money supply.

That point was borne out as currency trading ended in New York.

WORLD STOCK MARKETS

Table of world stock markets including Amsterdam, Brussels, Frankfurt, London, Milan, Madrid, Singapore, Zurich, and Stockholm.

U.S. FUTURES

Table of U.S. futures markets including Grains, Soybeans, Soybean Meal, Soybean Oil, and Lard.

DIP: Jobless Rate Surges to 7.8%

(Continued from page 1) point from my forecast for the second half of the year," he said.

One thing that worries Mr. Kahhan, some other analysts and some administration officials is how business executives and consumers will react to the rise in unemployment.

Executives will say, "I had better be very cautious about my hiring plans and my spending plans," Mr. Kahhan predicted.

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NASDAQ prices as of 4 p.m. New York time. This list compiled by the AP consists of the 1,000 most traded securities in terms of dollar value. It is updated twice a year.

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**Hong Kong**

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Hong Kong Pay-TV Solution: No Win?

By Laurence Zuckerman International Herald Tribune
HONG KONG — The Hong Kong government unveiled Thursday a blueprint for bringing pay television to one of the world's most potentially lucrative broadcast markets.

government plan, saying there were still too many unanswered questions.
The new plan is the latest development in a saga that combines bitter business rivalries with charges of government incompetence.

Hong Kong's 5.7 million residents — or to charge subscriptions.
The Hong Kong government has been loath to grant STAR's wishes for fear of alienating prospective bidders for a colony-wide multichannel pay-television service.

Australia Boosts Air Ties With Malaysia, Korea

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
CANNBERRA — Air services between Australia and Asia will expand dramatically following the signing of air agreements with Malaysia and South Korea.

government-run domestic carrier Australian Airlines.
"Qantas already has plans to operate three B-767 services direct to Kuala Lumpur from Sydney from November this year, and Ansett Airlines has expressed a strong interest in operating to Malaysia as soon as it is in a position to do so," Mr. Collins said.

Investor's Asia
Table with columns for Exchange, Index, Thursday Close, Prev. Close, % Change. Includes Hong Kong Hang Seng, Singapore Straits Times, Tokyo Nikkei 225, etc.

Very briefly:

- Seoul's composite stock index slumped to a 53-month low, losing 3.70 points to 548.28, on gloom about the economic outlook and prospects for company earnings.
• Old Electric Industry Co. agreed with Matra MHS, a French semiconductor maker, to jointly develop large-scale integrated chips.

Hutchison Joins Australia Bidding

CANNBERRA — Hong Kong-based Hutchison Telecom on Thursday launched its bid for Australia's third cellular telephone license.
The company, a unit of Hutchison Whampoa Ltd., said it was discussing a possible partnership with two Australian concerns.

Japan's Builders Burdened by Loan Guarantees

Bloomberg Business News
TOKYO — Japan's contractors, already suffering from a downturn in orders, are facing new losses from ill-timed concessions they made to clients two years ago to increase business.
As competition for orders began heating up in 1990, Japanese contractors began luring clients with agreements to guarantee loans and buy stocks or land from them.

defunct realtor, Nanatomi, in addition to a loss of 23 billion yen in orders that Nanatomi placed but could not pay for.
• Ishihara Construction, which inherited 23 billion yen in liabilities after the steelmaker Kyowa declared bankruptcy.
• Hazama-Gumi Ltd., which faces 12 billion yen in guaranteed loans to Nippon Autopolis on top of 27.4 billion yen from lost orders.

the building at a package price, the Morgan Stanley report said.
Although this practice is less widespread than loan guarantees, its risks are equally high. Not only do contractors continue to incur interest they would make from higher-yielding investments, they could also be stuck with quickly devaluing land if the client went bankrupt.
Morgan Stanley said Taisei and Kajima had the largest increase in land holdings during fiscal 1991. Taisei's land assets that it intends to sell to clients rose 41 percent to 293 billion yen. Kajima's rose 35 percent to 300 billion yen.

IBM and Toshiba Sign Chip Deal

Agence France-Press
TOKYO — Toshiba Corp. and IBM signed on Thursday an agreement to develop advanced solid-state storage devices using flash memory chips for small personal computers.
Under the agreement, the companies will jointly design and share technology on solid-state files to be assembled with flash chips now being developed by Toshiba.
The two companies have agreed to assemble the new devices independently while using them in their own products and marketing them to other companies. Other details of their agreement were not disclosed.
Kiyoshi Ishida, senior managing director of IBM's Japanese unit, said the agreement "will help create a new generation of powerful and compact computers."

INTERNATIONAL FUNDS
Table listing various international funds with columns for Name, Currency, and other details. Includes ABC INVESTMENT & SERVICES CO (E.C.), ALFA ASSET MANAGEMENT LTD, etc.

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SPORTS SOCCER

FIFA Picks France Over Morocco to Hold '98 World Cup

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches ZURICH — France was selected Thursday to stage the 1998 World Cup soccer finals...

which are ready — stadiums, telecommunications, transportation — and that's very important," he said.



Chicago's Jose Vizcaino ducking under Eddie Murphy's late tag.

For 2 A's Stars, a Most Curious Race

The Associated Press The most curious race in the American League this season? That's easy — Mark McGwire vs. Dennis Eckersley.

night, and some of the new Mariners owners watched the game from Smulyan's old owner's box.

Derek Bell, who made a rinning catch on Rafael Palmeiro's liner to left-center with the bases loaded...

Red Sox 6, Tigers 4: Tom Brunansky's double capped a five-run seventh inning that lifted Boston over Detroit at Fenway Park.

Quietly, Indurain Leaves No Doubt He's Tour's Choice Cut

By Samuel Abt International Herald Tribune SAN SEBASTIAN, Spain — From his butcher's stall in the Calle de Eriberto Municipal market...

be very dangerous indeed to Indurain's hopes in the three-week Tour. The butcher shook his head in decision.

But the soft-spoken — sometimes soft and soft that he seems to be inarticulate — Indurain is not claiming victory beforehand.

Fausto Coppi in 1952, Jacques Anquetil in 1964, Eddy Merckx in 1970, 72 and 74, Bernard Hinault in 1982 and '85, and Stephen Roche in 1987 have managed it.

But as a Spanish journalist explained last year after Indurain's victory in the Tour: "To most Spaniards, he is a Basque."

Mets 6, Cubs 4: Howard Johnson hit a go-ahead RBI single in the 12th in Chicago and Junior Noboa added a sacrifice fly as New York...

BOOKS

LIFE AFTER TELEVISION By George Gilder. 126 pages. \$14.95. W. W. Norton & Co. Inc., 500 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10110.

BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott SOUTH had a chance to demonstrate his superb skill in card play on the diamond deal.

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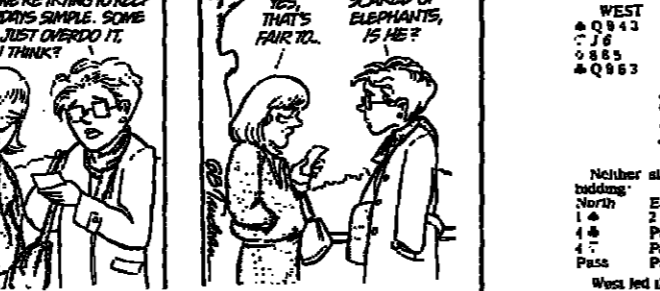
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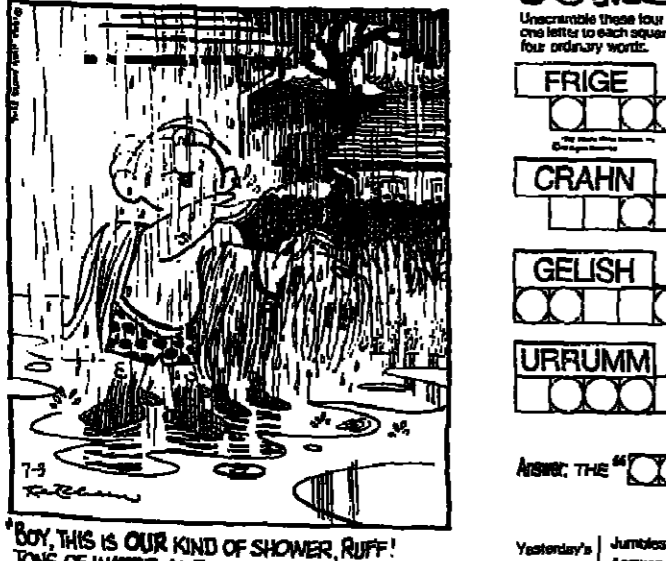
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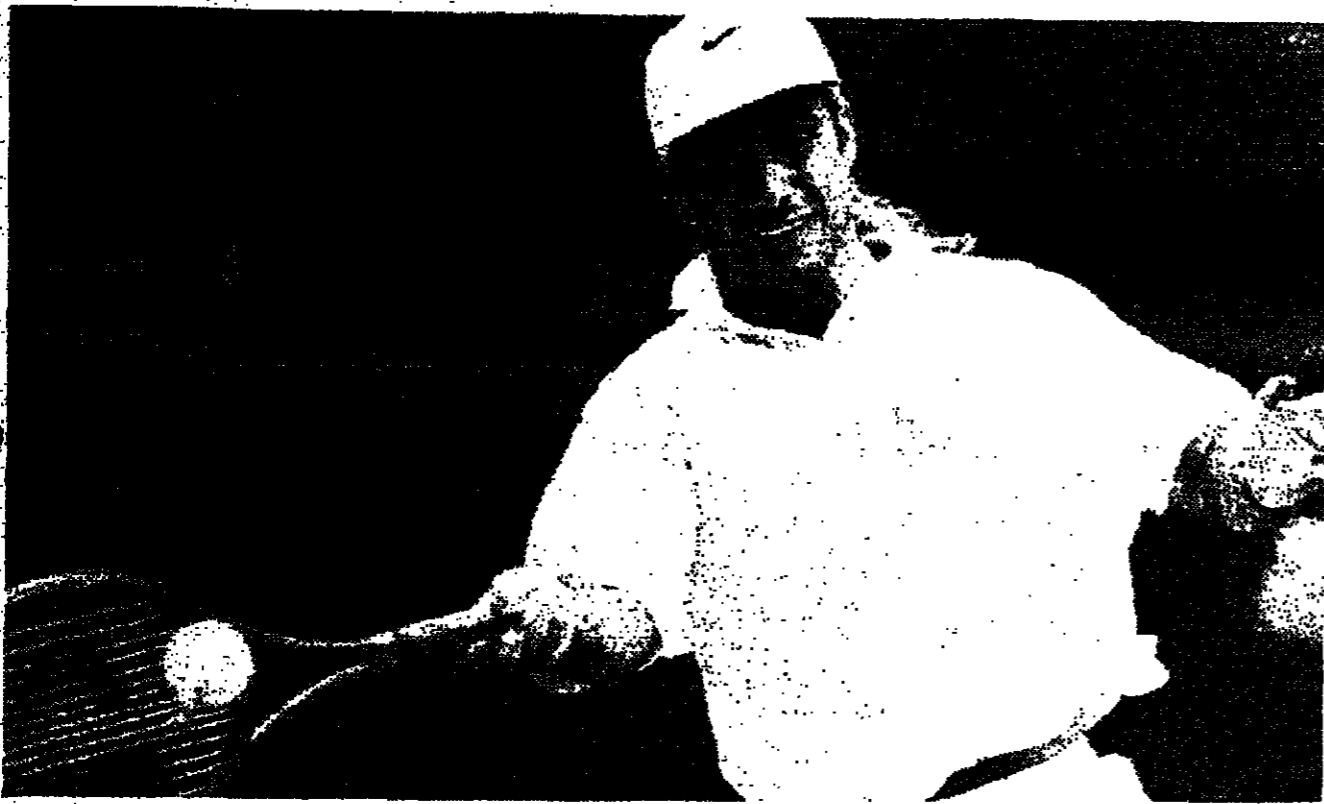




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Andre Agassi en route to his victory on Thursday over Boris Becker: "It's probably one of the greatest achievements of my career."

A McEnroe-Agassi Showdown

Americans Gain Semifinal, Seles and Graf Reach Final

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
WIMBLEDON, England — John McEnroe and Andre Agassi, who have practiced together throughout this tournament, swept into a semifinal showdown on Thursday...

This time, the point ended the way so many others had throughout the match — with Seles flashing a backhand passing shot down the line.
In a matchup of last year's finalists, Graf overwhelmed Sabatini from the baseline, moving her from side to side and hitting winners into the open court.

Agassi's sixth straight victory over Becker, but the first on grass.
On his showdown with McEnroe, Agassi said, "Let me put it this way, there's probably a chance he wishes he hadn't practiced as much as he has with me in these past couple of weeks."

The Case of the Grunting Tennis Star: Order on the Court!

By Ian Thomssen
International Herald Tribune
WIMBLEDON, England — The following tribunal took place Thursday in the Interview Room at Wimbledon after Monica Seles's 6-2, 6-7 (3-7), 6-4 semifinal victory over Martina Navratilova on Centre Court.

complaint about Miss Seles's grunting on Tuesday. And today, you, too, have complained twice to the umpire about your opponent's guttural utterances, Miss Navratilova. The first time was in the fourth game of the second set, after which, with the score tied 2-2, Miss Seles was summoned to the umpire's chair and asked to stop grunting.

the real world, and the witness being a multi-millionaire superstar, she was not instructed of anything.
Eleven times you have played her. NAVRATILOVA: "Right."
Never complained before. NAVRATILOVA: "Because it gets — it is louder than it's been."

NAVATILOVA: "I want to see what that guy wants tomorrow. Unbelievable."
Another sportswriter called out bravely: I think he's entitled to write whatever he wishes!
The writer was then nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. NAVRATILOVA: "He certainly is. He doesn't have to hear the ball, though, does he?"

would have beaten me even without the grunt."
At this point Navratilova stood up and left. Questions were also taken by the defendant, Miss Seles. Her history of nervous exhortations has been well documented. For the first three years of her career she was known to giggle throughout her press conferences. She giggled throughout her answers to every question. She was a teenage Woody Woodpecker. But then she stopped giggling. She fought the giggles, she beat them, and now she serves as an example that anyone, so long as they really want to stop enjoying themselves, can be serious.



A dejected Martina Navratilova as her final hopes dimmed.

Soccer Deal Sparks Riot In Italy

TURIN — The police fired tear gas to disperse hundreds of Torino fans who laid siege to the soccer club's headquarters to protest the transfer of the 23-year-old striker Gianluigi Lentini to AC Milan.

SIDELINES

Krabbe Given Surprise Dope Test

BONN (Reuters) — German sports officials, embarrassed by the legal technicality that helped the sprinter Katrin Krabbe avoid a drug ban, have surprised the double world champion with special stringent dope tests.

Pine Bluff Is Retired After Injury

NEW YORK (NYT) — Pine Bluff, the colt who won the Preakness Stakes and later the \$1 million bonus for best performance in the Triple Crown series of races, has been forced into retirement at the age of 3 after tearing a ligament in his left foreleg during a routine gallop a week ago at Belmont Park.

Tarpley Joins Salonica of Greece

SALONICA, Greece (AP) — The former Dallas Mavericks forward Roy Tarpley has signed a two-year contract with Aris Salonica, the club announced Thursday.

For the Record

A team of major league baseball all-stars will travel to Japan this fall for eight exhibition games against Japanese stars, it was announced Wednesday. The series will begin at the Tokyo Dome on Oct. 29.

Quotable

Eric Lindros, who refused to play for the Quebec Nordiques, upon sitting down at a luncheon sponsored by the Hockey News: "It's always an honor when you are unemployed to have a free meal."

4th Victory Clinches U.S. Team's Olympic Berth

By David Aldridge
Washington Post Service
PORTLAND, Oregon — Michael Jordan came down the left side of the floor in the second half of the U.S.-Argentina game at the Tournament of the Americas, levitated as only he can, and tossed down a furious, 17-foot, one-guy-in-the-world, who-can-dunk-like-this jam.

The 41-point margin of victory was the smallest during the tournament for the United States, which is now winning by an average of 56 points per game. And it may have been the most gushing display of affection by an opponent to date.

center Luis Villar's 18 points. Guard Hector Campana scored 17 points. Already playing without John Stockton for the rest of the tournament, the United States again played without Larry Bird, who missed his third straight game with a sore lower back. Clyde Drexler also sat with a sore right knee.

The top four teams in the 10-team field will qualify for Barcelona.
In the second half, the U.S. team went to a twin-towers alignment, with Patrick Ewing (15 points, eight rebounds) and David Robinson (14 points, four rebounds).

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

Table with Major League Standings and Wednesday's Line Scores. Columns include team names, wins, losses, and percentages.

BASKETBALL

Table with Olympic Qualifying Games and Standings. Columns include team names and game results.

TENNIS

Table with Wimbledon Men's Singles Quarterfinals and Women's Singles Semifinals. Columns include player names and scores.

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OBSERVER

The Super Snoops

By Russell Baker
WASHINGTON — The White House professes shock and sorrow at evidence that Ross Perot likes to snoop around in people's lives — likes to have people believe it or not — investigated.
It makes you wonder what world the White House has been living in lately. Surely President Bush knows his own vast investigating empire makes Inspector Perot look like a bush-league Sam Spade. Or maybe it was Philip Marlowe, maybe Humphrey Bogart, with the battered old head, bottle of booze in the desk drawer and bills for \$25 a day and expenses.
Remember those awful beatings Spade, Marlowe, Bogart took for a lousy \$25 a day and expenses? That's the investigating weight class Perot belongs in when compared with George Bush. It's Bush who has all the guns, yet he professes alarm about Snoopers Perot. Investigating people, Ross? Shame, Shame.
Isn't this the same George Bush who, in one of his previous government jobs, ran the CIA, America's multi-billion-dollar snoop to the whole darn world?
You don't, of course. It's other people who read that shameful rot. Another way to put it is to say that those other people have resigned themselves to the modern reality. No sensible American nowadays believes his life is anything but an open book for browsing by any snooper with the energy to work the fantastic engines of exposure now operating shamelessly throughout the land.
Example: Telephone a catalog-sales company. Chances are you'll be asked for your telephone number, then be told what your full name and address are, and asked if that is correct.
They could tell you your age and credit rating, too, and what your house cost, the latest medical report on your kidneys, what your sexual preferences are, how many children and in-laws you have, whether you prefer coffee, tea or milk, and lots more. These things they won't tell you, of course. Such information is given only to people who want to use it against you.
It's shameful of the White House to try to make us think Perot threatens our privacy. It's impossible to threaten our privacy. Everything is already known.
New York Times Service

Check It Out: The Venetian Reggae Band

By Roderick Conway Morris

VENICE — The winged Lion of St. Mark, ancient symbol of the city, has acquired a raffish rival, whose right-on leonine features, crowned with a red, yellow and green Rastafarian tea-cosy, earring, suspicious-looking conical cigarette, and "Pax Tibi" ("Peace be with you") badge, have been appearing on posters all over town.
The irreverent upstart is the emblem of Pitura Freska (Wet Paint), Venice's very own all-Venetian reggae band which, having shot to fame over the last few months, has just embarked on a nationwide tour, including concerts in Rome, Naples, Florence, Bologna and Turin, that goes on until the end of September.
The band was founded in the early '80s by self-styled "Sir Oliver" Skardy, guitarist and school caretaker, and bass-player Francesco Canacci. It now has nine male instrumentalists and two female backup singers.
The initial breakthrough for Pitura Freska came last year with the release of their CD/cassette "Na Bruta Banda" (An Ugly Bunch), the title of its opening number, which exorcises the greed and dishonesty of Italian politicians and officials — a theme that becomes ever more topical with almost daily arrests of local government figures on corruption charges. The album has so far sold about 150,000 copies.
I caught up with the band on the roof of Venice's Municipal Garage, a six-story building at the end of the causeway that links the city to the mainland, where, against a panoramic backdrop of Venice under a thundery sky, they were shooting scenes for their first video.
All Pitura Freska's sharp, inventive and often very funny songs are in veneziano, Venetian dialect, which is well-nigh incomprehensible to other Italian speakers (when they first played in Naples, said trumpeter Valerio Silvestri, "people came up afterwards and tried to speak Spanish to us!"). I asked Sir Oliver Skardy — a resident in dreadlocks and white straw hat — who writes the songs and delivers them with punch and panache, whether he wasn't afraid that this might limit their appeal.
"The first thing people are interested in is the music," he said. "After all, they listen to songs in English the whole time, without understanding a word. Then, gradually, they pick up on the meaning. But anyway, I never thought of writing in anything but Venetian."
Cristiano Verardo, guitarist and leader of the musical side of the group, added: "In Venice everybody speaks veneziano — for us it's not a dialect, it's a language — the first language we learn. So, naturally,



Members of Pitura Freska, with "Sir Oliver" Skardy in the middle: sharp, inventive and often very funny songs.

we're much more spontaneous and expressive in it than Italian. We think it's more musical too."
Both words and music are influenced by the latest trends in reggae — notably ragga music, or dancehall style, with its heavy musical pulse and liberal spicing of sexual innuendo and double entendre. "Zuca Baruca" (Gourd), for example, includes a ribald catalogue of the supposed virtues and vices of the women of Venice's different parishes, delivered at a breakneck, rapping pace.
"There's a strong 'fashion' factor in this kind of music," said Cristiano Verardo. "And we try to keep up with, and even get ahead of the field. But there are some trends we won't follow, such as having smaller and smaller bands using electronics to supply the instruments. We think a big lineup on stage is much more exciting in a live concert."
One of their most popular numbers is "O' ndemo veder i Fri Flot" (Let's go see Pink Floyd) — the "O'" of the title and

refrain being the warning call made by boatmen when they round blind corners on canals, which has also become a vernacular greeting. The song is the picturesque tale of Skardy's attempt to get to the disastrous Pink Floyd concert three years back when 200,000 fans descended on the city, leaving the place vandalized and under mountains of refuse that took the army several days to clear up. Arriving late by train, Skardy never actually reaches the concert, retires to a bar to drown his sorrows, and at dawn is nearly beaten up by some out-of-town heavies, after politely suggesting to their obnoxious, whining girlfriends, who are loudly holding forth about how horrible Venice is, that they should have stayed at home. As the keyboard player Rino Zimmo explained: "For Skardy that night was like coming home and finding a hundred comely strangers in his living room."
When not chronicling events or launching trenchant, richly earned attacks on the establishment, Skardy's lyrics take a more

surreal turn. His vision of transforming Marghera — Venice's sprawling industrial district on the mainland, where he lives — into a subtropical paradise has the refrain: "Marghera senza fabbriche sarà più sana / Na jungla de panoca, pomodoro e marijuana." (Marghera without factories would be more healthy / A jungle of corn-cobs, tomatoes and marijuana.) And "Bea Fia" ("Lovely Girl") has a strong dash of soul, it is positively soft-centered.
The proceeds of Pitura Freska's racy, highly entertaining Venice concert on June 29, which even had the local police discreetly jiving and joining in the songs, is to go to children in Ethiopia — a fitting opportunity for the new-entrant, Rastafarian Lion of Venice to lend a helping paw to the hard-pressed land of the Lion of Judah.
Roderick Conway Morris is based in Venice and writes for The New York Times and The Spectator.

PEOPLE

Trump Eyes the Profits From Ex-Wife's Book

Celebrity follies: After a second court decision upheld a gag rule on Ivana Trump, her former husband, Donald, triumphantly said he should receive the profits of the novel, "For Love Alone," that she has been jet-setting around the world to promote. The book is a thinly veiled tale about a skier from Czechoslovakia who marries an American tycoon. Trump has also threatened to cut off her generous alimony and housing allowances. "I've paid enough," the Donald said. Time in tomorrow.

This time around Anne-Hélène Radice, chairwoman of the National Endowment for the Arts, was able to say yes, approving all 1,167 grants, worth \$65 million, recommended by her advisory council.

Her veto of grants to two college art galleries for shows that included sexual imagery in May set off widespread protests in the arts world.
John Singleton, the 24-year-old director of "Boyz n the Hood," is planning to debut on TV with a series about south-central Los Angeles. "The Champ" will chronicle a black boxer's struggle in the inner city.

The annulment of Princess Caroline of Monaco's marriage to Philippe Junot dragged on for a decade because Junot refused to meet with Vatican officials, the magazine Paris Match reports. However, the Vatican, which approved the annulment Wednesday, isn't saying which of the two was judged not to have fully accepted the responsibilities of marriage.

As the world press stalked their every move, Princess Charles and Princess Diana joined their 7-year-old son Harry on his last day at school on Thursday. Charles took Harry to Wetherby School in the morning, then drove back to Kensington Palace to pick up Diana and return to the school. The three later lunched at the palace.

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